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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 25, 2010, finally rejecting claims 1, 3, 6-9, 12-15, 17 and 19-21, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in light of the following:

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Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

/Ronald Hupczey, Jr/

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